

**Minutes of the Southern Utah Veterans Home-Ivins,
Advisory Board Meeting,
September 8, 2016**

In Attendance: Terry Dunne (Chairman), Mel Brewer (Resident Board Member), Jeff McKenna (Board Member), Dennis McFall (UDVMA Deputy Director), Tony Moore (State Officer), Jacqueline Peterson (State Officer), Jerry Olson (Nursing Home Administrator), Other Visitors: Roger Tracy, Capt. Rich Rodgers (Santa Clara – Ivins Police Department), Don Francis (SUVH Chaplain)

Excused: Board Members Lloyd Laycook, Chris Hart, Scott Smith, Ron Lee, and David Jones,

Meeting called to order by Chairman Dunne at 4:00 pm and all present were welcomed.

1. Prayer offered by Don Francis, Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Dunne.
2. Minutes of July 14, 2016 Meeting referenced for individual read.
3. Administrator Olson provided the following:
 - a. Active Shooter Policy was introduced – copy of the policy was included in the board member meeting packet.
 - i. Capt. Rodgers stated that the policy was reviewed and the Police Department (PD) agreed that the policy is satisfactory and will continue to work with the facility to have PD personnel (first responders) gain familiarity with the facility. He also stated that average response time to a 911 call to the facility would be about 2-5 minutes.
 - ii. Capt. Rodgers stated that having blue prints for the building would be helpful to the PD in the event of an incident.
 - iii. The board discussed limitations in how to lock down the building and concerns with Fire Safety Code.
 - b. A security guard cost worksheet was presented to show the effect on the daily cost to the resident if a security guard were hired for the building. Dennis McFall stated that it was currently the department's position does not support having security guards in the Veteran Homes.
4. Resident Report (Board Member Brewer): Discussed the different events since the last board meeting and provided an events page for the meeting packet.
 - a. Past Events: August 4th – Coast Guard Birthday Party, August 25th – Watermelon Bust Resident Party, August 31st – Tribute to Jackie, September 8th – Meet & Greet new Doctors.
 - b. Future Events: September 9th – Patriot Day Special, September 18th – Air Force Party, October 8th – Annual Luau, October 25th – Elks Lodge hosted Halloween Party, October 31st – Annual Halloween Trick or Treat Event, November 5th – Annual 5K Walk & Run, November (date TBD) – Thanksgiving Dinner

- c. Mel also took a moment to thank Jackie for her great contributions to the Veterans Home since it's commissioning.
- 5. State Officer Report (Tony Moore):
 - a. Introduction of new State Officer
 - b. Memorial Park update – The State Project Manager (Rob Robinson - DFCM) is working with the architect designer to get him under contract to produce the required bid documents. Dennis stated that the state's building board had asked about progress on the park and also stated that the funding for the park would expire 30 June 2017. For those reasons, we are anxious to move construction of the memorial park up to start and complete as soon as possible. The estimated completion date is still spring of 2017.
 - c. Previously opened item to relocate the lava rock along the walkway in the memory care courtyard is complete.
- 6. Board Business Items:
 - a. Board membership:
 - i. David Jones has resigned from the board due to personal time commitment conflicts.
 - ii. Tracy Rodgers has submitted an application to become a board member. Dennis approved submitting package for Department approval.
 - iii. Major Justin Smith (DSU ROTC) was mentioned as a possible candidate for board membership.
 - iv. A request to those present was made for additional board member nominations.
 - b. Distinguished Veterans Honor Wall
 - i. The board member package included nominations for 4 individuals:
 - 1. Dick Olson
 - 2. Barry Perkins
 - 3. Jacqueline Peterson
 - 4. Jim Flohr
 - ii. Dennis approved submitting all 4 nominees for approval to the department.
 - c. No new business was presented.
- 7. Departmental Update from Dennis McFall:
 - a. The departmental budget is done, no new requests for funding to the legislature will be made, nothing is unfunded and no financial needs are being unmet, we have financial carry-over authority.
 - b. The Veteran Homes are financially sound.
 - c. The air conditioning funding issue is being tabled until spring 2017. Dennis approved submitting the issue for a Capital Improvement Project.

- d. The department will be funding a portion of the Adult Day Care Center project in Ogden.
 - e. The department will also be funding a large HVAC project in the SLC Veterans Home.
 - f. The building board has approved naming the CUVH in Payson after Medal of Honor recipient Mervyn S. Bennion (Pearl Harbor, WWII - U.S. Navy Captain).
 - g. Naming of the SUVH will not be solicited, but if the community wanted to nominate a name of significance related to the service area of the facility, the department would consider presenting the nomination to the building board.
 - h. The Veterans Home in Ogden was not cited for the push-bar door issue during their last Survey, so no action on that item is required for this facility at this time.
8. The Meeting was adjourned by motion from Chairman Dunne, Seconded by Moore and Chairman Dunne adjourned the meeting at 5:38 pm. Next Meetings tentatively to be held at 4:00 pm on:
- a. November 10, 2016
 - b. January 12, 2017